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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 3162

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 3162 on page 1, by  
3 inserting immediately below line 3 the following:

4 "Section 3. The Counties Code is amended by changing  
5 Section 5-39001 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/5-39001) (from Ch. 34, par. 5-39001)

7 Sec. 5-39001. Establishment and use; fee. The county board  
8 of any county may establish and maintain a county law library,  
9 to be located in any county building or privately or publicly  
10 owned building at the county seat of government. The term  
11 "county building" includes premises leased by the county from a  
12 public building commission created under the Public Building  
13 Commission Act. After August 2, 1976, the county board of any  
14 county may establish and maintain a county law library at the  
15 county seat of government and, in addition, branch law  
16 libraries in other locations within that county as the county

1 board deems necessary.

2 The facilities of those libraries shall be freely available  
3 to all licensed Illinois attorneys, judges, other public  
4 officers of the county, and all members of the public, whenever  
5 the court house is open, and may include self-help centers and  
6 other legal assistance programs for the public as part of the  
7 services it provides on-site and online.

8 The expense of establishing and maintaining those  
9 libraries shall be borne by the county. To defray that expense,  
10 including the expense of any attendant self-help centers and  
11 legal assistance programs, in any county having established a  
12 county law library or libraries, the clerk of all trial courts  
13 located at the county seat of government shall charge and  
14 collect a county law library fee of \$2, and the county board  
15 may authorize a county law library fee of not to exceed \$21  
16 through December 31, 2021 and \$19 on and after January 1, 2022  
17 ~~(i) \$18 in 2009, (ii) \$19 in 2010, and (iii) \$21 in 2011 and~~  
18 ~~thereafter~~, to be charged and collected by the clerks of all  
19 trial courts located in the county. The fee shall be paid at  
20 the time of filing the first pleading, paper, or other  
21 appearance filed by each party in all civil cases, but no  
22 additional fee shall be required if more than one party is  
23 represented in a single pleading, paper, or other appearance.

24 Each clerk shall commence those charges and collections  
25 upon receipt of written notice from the chairman of the county  
26 board that the board has acted under this Division to establish

1 and maintain a law library.

2 The fees shall be in addition to all other fees and charges  
3 of the clerks, assessable as costs, remitted by the clerks  
4 monthly to the county treasurer, and retained by the county  
5 treasurer in a special fund designated as the County Law  
6 Library Fund. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph,  
7 disbursements from the fund shall be by the county treasurer,  
8 on order of a majority of the resident circuit judges of the  
9 circuit court of the county. In any county with more than  
10 2,000,000 inhabitants, the county board shall order  
11 disbursements from the fund and the presiding officer of the  
12 county board, with the advice and consent of the county board,  
13 may appoint a library committee of not less than 9 members,  
14 who, by majority vote, may recommend to the county board as to  
15 disbursements of the fund and the operation of the library. In  
16 single county circuits with 2,000,000 or fewer inhabitants,  
17 disbursements from the County Law Library Fund shall be made by  
18 the county treasurer on the order of the chief judge of the  
19 circuit court of the county. In those single county circuits,  
20 the number of personnel necessary to operate and maintain the  
21 county law library shall be set by and those personnel shall be  
22 appointed by the chief judge. The county law library personnel  
23 shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority. The  
24 salaries of those personnel shall be fixed by the county board  
25 of the county. Orders shall be pre-audited, funds shall be  
26 audited by the county auditor, and a report of the orders and

1 funds shall be rendered to the county board and to the judges.

2 Fees shall not be charged in any criminal or quasi-criminal  
3 case, in any matter coming to the clerk on change of venue, or  
4 in any proceeding to review the decision of any administrative  
5 officer, agency, or body.

6 No moneys distributed from the County Law Library Fund may  
7 be directly or indirectly used for lobbying activities, as  
8 defined in Section 2 of the Lobbyist Registration Act or as  
9 defined in any ordinance or resolution of a municipality,  
10 county, or other unit of local government in Illinois.

11 (Source: P.A. 98-351, eff. 8-15-13.)"; and

12 on page 1, by replacing line 5 with the following:

13 "Sections 27.1a, 27.2, 27.2a, 27.3a, 27.7, and 28 as follows:

14 (705 ILCS 105/27.1a) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.1a)

15 Sec. 27.1a. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court in  
16 all counties having a population of not more than 500,000  
17 inhabitants in the instances described in this Section shall be  
18 as provided in this Section. In those instances where a minimum  
19 and maximum fee is stated, the clerk of the circuit court must  
20 charge the minimum fee listed and may charge up to the maximum  
21 fee if the county board has by resolution increased the fee.  
22 The fees shall be paid in advance and shall be as follows:

23 (a) Civil Cases.

1           With the following exceptions, the ~~The~~ fee for filing a  
2 complaint, petition, or other pleading initiating a civil  
3 action, ~~with the following exceptions,~~ shall be a minimum  
4 of \$40 and shall be a maximum of \$160 through December 31,  
5 2021 and a maximum of \$155 on and after January 1, 2022.

6           (A) When the amount of money or damages or the  
7 value of personal property claimed does not exceed  
8 \$250, \$10.

9           (B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not  
10 exceed \$500, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20.

11           (C) When that amount exceeds \$500 but does not  
12 exceed \$2500, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

13           (D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does not  
14 exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$75.

15           (E) For the exercise of eminent domain, a minimum  
16 of \$45 and a maximum of \$150. For each additional lot  
17 or tract of land or right or interest therein subject  
18 to be condemned, the damages in respect to which shall  
19 require separate assessment by a jury, a minimum of \$45  
20 and a maximum of \$150.

21 (a-1) Family.

22           For filing a petition under the Juvenile Court Act of  
23 1987, \$25.

24           For filing a petition for a marriage license, \$10.

25           For performing a marriage in court, \$10.

26           For filing a petition under the Illinois Parentage Act

1 of 2015, \$40.

2 (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.

3 In each forcible entry and detainer case when the  
4 plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her  
5 claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or  
6 damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, a minimum  
7 of \$10 and a maximum of \$50. When the plaintiff unites his  
8 or her claim for possession with a claim for rent or  
9 damages or both exceeding \$15,000, a minimum of \$40 and a  
10 maximum of \$160.

11 (c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

12 When any defendant files a counterclaim as part of his  
13 or her answer or otherwise or joins another party as a  
14 third party defendant, or both, the defendant shall pay a  
15 fee for each counterclaim or third party action in an  
16 amount equal to the fee he or she would have had to pay had  
17 he or she brought a separate action for the relief sought  
18 in the counterclaim or against the third party defendant,  
19 less the amount of the appearance fee, if that has been  
20 paid.

21 (d) Confession of Judgment.

22 In a confession of judgment when the amount does not  
23 exceed \$1500, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$50. When  
24 the amount exceeds \$1500, but does not exceed \$15,000, a  
25 minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$115. When the amount  
26 exceeds \$15,000, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$200.

1 (e) Appearance.

2 The fee for filing an appearance in each civil case  
3 shall be a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$60, except as  
4 follows:

5 (A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and  
6 detainer case seeks possession only, a minimum of \$10  
7 and a maximum of \$50.

8 (B) When the amount in the case does not exceed  
9 \$1500, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$30.

10 (C) When that amount exceeds \$1500 but does not  
11 exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$60.

12 (f) Garnishment, Wage Deduction, and Citation.

13 In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit,  
14 and citation petition when the amount does not exceed  
15 \$1,000, a minimum of \$5 and a maximum of \$15; when the  
16 amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not exceed \$5,000, a minimum  
17 of \$5 and a maximum of \$30; and when the amount exceeds  
18 \$5,000, a minimum of \$5 and a maximum of \$50.

19 (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.

20 (1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or  
21 order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer cases  
22 and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an estate,  
23 to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for  
24 child or spousal support, or to modify, suspend, or  
25 terminate an order for withholding, if filed before 30 days  
26 after the entry of the judgment or order, a minimum of \$20

1 and a maximum of \$50.

2 (2) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or  
3 order of court, except a petition to modify, terminate, or  
4 enforce a judgment or order for child or spousal support or  
5 to modify, suspend, or terminate an order for withholding,  
6 if filed later than 30 days after the entry of the judgment  
7 or order, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$75.

8 (3) Petition to vacate order of bond forfeiture, a  
9 minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$40.

10 (h) Mailing.

11 When the clerk is required to mail, the fee will be a  
12 minimum of \$2 and a maximum of \$10, plus the cost of  
13 postage.

14 (i) Certified Copies.

15 Each certified copy of a judgment after the first,  
16 except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer  
17 cases, a minimum of \$2 and a maximum of \$10.

18 (j) Habeas Corpus.

19 For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus, a  
20 minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$100.

21 (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.

22 (1) Each certification or authentication for taking  
23 the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in writing  
24 with the seal of office, a minimum of \$2 and a maximum of  
25 \$6.

26 (2) Court appeals when original documents are



1 forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a  
2 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$60.

3 (3) Court appeals when original documents are  
4 forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a  
5 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$150.

6 (4) Court appeals when original documents are  
7 forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of a minimum  
8 of 20 cents and a maximum of 25 cents per page.

9 (5) For reproduction of any document contained in the  
10 clerk's files:

11 (A) First page, a minimum of \$1 and a maximum of  
12 \$2.

13 (B) Next 19 pages, 50 cents per page.

14 (C) All remaining pages, 25 cents per page.

15 (l) Remands.

16 In any cases remanded to the Circuit Court from the  
17 Supreme Court or the Appellate Court for a new trial, the  
18 clerk shall file the remanding order and reinstate the case  
19 with either its original number or a new number. The Clerk  
20 shall not charge any new or additional fee for the  
21 reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Clerk shall advise  
22 the parties of the reinstatement. A party shall have the  
23 same right to a jury trial on remand and reinstatement as  
24 he or she had before the appeal, and no additional or new  
25 fee or charge shall be made for a jury trial after remand.

26 (m) Record Search.

1           For each record search, within a division or municipal  
2           district, the clerk shall be entitled to a search fee of a  
3           minimum of \$4 and a maximum of \$6 for each year searched.

4           (n) Hard Copy.

5           For each page of hard copy print output, when case  
6           records are maintained on an automated medium, the clerk  
7           shall be entitled to a fee of a minimum of \$4 and a maximum  
8           of \$6.

9           (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

10           No fee shall be charged for a single  
11           plaintiff/defendant index inquiry or single case record  
12           inquiry when this request is made in person and the records  
13           are maintained in a current automated medium, and when no  
14           hard copy print output is requested. The fees to be charged  
15           for management records, multiple case records, and  
16           multiple journal records may be specified by the Chief  
17           Judge pursuant to the guidelines for access and  
18           dissemination of information approved by the Supreme  
19           Court.

20           (p) (Blank).

21           (q) Alias Summons.

22           For each alias summons or citation issued by the clerk,  
23           a minimum of \$2 and a maximum of \$5.

24           (r) Other Fees.

25           Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by  
26           rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court with the

1 approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois  
2 Courts.

3 The clerk of the circuit court may provide additional  
4 services for which there is no fee specified by statute in  
5 connection with the operation of the clerk's office as may  
6 be requested by the public and agreed to by the clerk and  
7 approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Any  
8 charges for additional services shall be as agreed to  
9 between the clerk and the party making the request and  
10 approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Nothing  
11 in this subsection shall be construed to require any clerk  
12 to provide any service not otherwise required by law.

13 (s) Jury Services.

14 The clerk shall be entitled to receive, in addition to  
15 other fees allowed by law, the sum of a minimum of \$62.50  
16 and a maximum of \$212.50, as a fee for the services of a  
17 jury in every civil action not quasi-criminal in its nature  
18 and not a proceeding for the exercise of the right of  
19 eminent domain and in every other action wherein the right  
20 of trial by jury is or may be given by law. The jury fee  
21 shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at the time of  
22 filing the jury demand. If the fee is not paid by either  
23 party, no jury shall be called in the action or proceeding,  
24 and the same shall be tried by the court without a jury.

25 (t) Voluntary Assignment.

26 For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, a minimum

1 of \$10 and a maximum of \$20; for recording the same, a  
2 minimum of 25 cents and a maximum of 50 cents for each 100  
3 words. Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee  
4 of a debtor who has made a voluntary assignment for the  
5 benefit of creditors shall be considered and treated, for  
6 the purpose of taxing costs therein, as actions in which  
7 the party or parties filing the exceptions shall be  
8 considered as party or parties plaintiff, and the claimant  
9 or claimants as party or parties defendant, and those  
10 parties respectively shall pay to the clerk the same fees  
11 as provided by this Section to be paid in other actions.

12 (u) Expungement Petition.

13 The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of a  
14 minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$60 for each expungement  
15 petition filed and an additional fee of a minimum of \$2 and  
16 a maximum of \$4 for each certified copy of an order to  
17 expunge arrest records.

18 (v) Probate.

19 The clerk is entitled to receive the fees specified in  
20 this subsection (v), which shall be paid in advance, except  
21 that, for good cause shown, the court may suspend, reduce,  
22 or release the costs payable under this subsection:

23 (1) For administration of the estate of a decedent  
24 (whether testate or intestate) or of a missing person, a  
25 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$150, plus the fees  
26 specified in subsection (v) (3), except:

1           (A) When the value of the real and personal  
2 property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a  
3 minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

4           (B) When (i) proof of heirship alone is made, (ii)  
5 a domestic or foreign will is admitted to probate  
6 without administration (including proof of heirship),  
7 or (iii) letters of office are issued for a particular  
8 purpose without administration of the estate, the fee  
9 shall be a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$40.

10           (C) For filing a petition to sell Real Estate, \$50.

11           (2) For administration of the estate of a ward, a  
12 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75, plus the fees  
13 specified in subsection (v) (3), except:

14           (A) When the value of the real and personal  
15 property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a  
16 minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

17           (B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a  
18 guardian of the person or persons, but not of the  
19 estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the  
20 estate of a ward without administration of the estate,  
21 including filing or joining in the filing of a tax  
22 return or releasing a mortgage or consenting to the  
23 marriage of the ward, the fee shall be a minimum of \$10  
24 and a maximum of \$20.

25           (C) For filing a Petition to sell Real Estate, \$50.

26           (3) In addition to the fees payable under subsection

1 (v) (1) or (v) (2) of this Section, the following fees are  
2 payable:

3 (A) For each account (other than one final account)  
4 filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward, a minimum  
5 of \$10 and a maximum of \$25.

6 (B) For filing a claim in an estate when the amount  
7 claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500, a minimum  
8 of \$10 and a maximum of \$25; when the amount claimed is  
9 \$500 or more but less than \$10,000, a minimum of \$10  
10 and a maximum of \$40; when the amount claimed is  
11 \$10,000 or more, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$60;  
12 provided that the court in allowing a claim may add to  
13 the amount allowed the filing fee paid by the claimant.

14 (C) For filing in an estate a claim, petition, or  
15 supplemental proceeding based upon an action seeking  
16 equitable relief including the construction or contest  
17 of a will, enforcement of a contract to make a will,  
18 and proceedings involving testamentary trusts or the  
19 appointment of testamentary trustees, a minimum of \$40  
20 and a maximum of \$60.

21 (D) For filing in an estate (i) the appearance of  
22 any person for the purpose of consent or (ii) the  
23 appearance of an executor, administrator,  
24 administrator to collect, guardian, guardian ad litem,  
25 or special administrator, no fee.

26 (E) Except as provided in subsection (v) (3) (D),

1           for filing the appearance of any person or persons, a  
2           minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$30.

3           (F) For each jury demand, a minimum of \$62.50 and a  
4           maximum of \$137.50.

5           (G) For disposition of the collection of a judgment  
6           or settlement of an action or claim for wrongful death  
7           of a decedent or of any cause of action of a ward, when  
8           there is no other administration of the estate, a  
9           minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$50, less any amount  
10          paid under subsection (v) (1) (B) or (v) (2) (B) except  
11          that if the amount involved does not exceed \$5,000, the  
12          fee, including any amount paid under subsection  
13          (v) (1) (B) or (v) (2) (B), shall be a minimum of \$10 and a  
14          maximum of \$20.

15          (H) For each certified copy of letters of office,  
16          of court order or other certification, a minimum of \$1  
17          and a maximum of \$2, plus a minimum of 50 cents and a  
18          maximum of \$1 per page in excess of 3 pages for the  
19          document certified.

20          (I) For each exemplification, a minimum of \$1 and a  
21          maximum of \$2, plus the fee for certification.

22          (4) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,  
23          or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay  
24          the cost of publication by the clerk directly to the  
25          newspaper.

26          (5) The person on whose behalf a charge is incurred for

1 witness, court reporter, appraiser, or other miscellaneous  
2 fee shall pay the same directly to the person entitled  
3 thereto.

4 (6) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,  
5 or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay  
6 to the clerk all postage charges incurred by the clerk in  
7 mailing petitions, orders, notices, or other documents  
8 pursuant to the provisions of the Probate Act of 1975.

9 (w) Criminal and Quasi-Criminal Costs and Fees.

10 (1) The clerk shall be entitled to costs in all  
11 criminal and quasi-criminal cases from each person  
12 convicted or sentenced to supervision therein as follows:

13 (A) Felony complaints, a minimum of \$40 and a  
14 maximum of \$100.

15 (B) Misdemeanor complaints, a minimum of \$25 and a  
16 maximum of \$75.

17 (C) Business offense complaints, a minimum of \$25  
18 and a maximum of \$75.

19 (D) Petty offense complaints, a minimum of \$25 and  
20 a maximum of \$75.

21 (E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$10.

22 (F) When court appearance required, \$15.

23 (G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders, a  
24 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

25 (H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders, a  
26 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.



1 (I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments, whenever  
2 filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

3 (J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures,  
4 whenever filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

5 (K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or  
6 "failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of  
7 State, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

8 (2) In counties having a population of not more than  
9 500,000 inhabitants, when the violation complaint is  
10 issued by a municipal police department, the clerk shall be  
11 entitled to costs from each person convicted therein as  
12 follows:

13 (A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$10.

14 (B) When court appearance required, \$15.

15 (3) In ordinance violation cases punishable by fine  
16 only, the clerk of the circuit court shall be entitled to  
17 receive, unless the fee is excused upon a finding by the  
18 court that the defendant is indigent, in addition to other  
19 fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, the sum of a  
20 minimum of \$62.50 and a maximum of \$137.50 as a fee for the  
21 services of a jury. The jury fee shall be paid by the  
22 defendant at the time of filing his or her jury demand. If  
23 the fee is not so paid by the defendant, no jury shall be  
24 called, and the case shall be tried by the court without a  
25 jury.

26 (x) Transcripts of Judgment.

1           For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the clerk  
2 shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the  
3 commencement of a new suit.

4 (y) Change of Venue.

5           (1) For the filing of a change of case on a change of  
6 venue, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it  
7 were the commencement of a new suit.

8           (2) The fee for the preparation and certification of a  
9 record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction, when  
10 original documents are forwarded, a minimum of \$10 and a  
11 maximum of \$40.

12 (z) Tax objection complaints.

13           For each tax objection complaint containing one or more  
14 tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels  
15 involved or the number of taxpayers joining on the  
16 complaint, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$50.

17 (aa) Tax Deeds.

18           (1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel is  
19 involved, a minimum of \$45 and a maximum of \$200.

20           (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of a minimum  
21 of \$10 and a maximum of \$60.

22 (bb) Collections.

23           (1) For all collections made of others, except the  
24 State and county and except in maintenance or child support  
25 cases, a sum equal to a minimum of 2% and a maximum of 2.5%  
26 of the amount collected and turned over.

1           (2) Interest earned on any funds held by the clerk  
2 shall be turned over to the county general fund as an  
3 earning of the office.

4           (3) For any check, draft, or other bank instrument  
5 returned to the clerk for non-sufficient funds, account  
6 closed, or payment stopped, \$25.

7           (4) In child support and maintenance cases, the clerk,  
8 if authorized by an ordinance of the county board, may  
9 collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person making  
10 payment for maintaining child support records and the  
11 processing of support orders to the State of Illinois KIDS  
12 system and the recording of payments issued by the State  
13 Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court.  
14 This fee shall be in addition to and separate from amounts  
15 ordered to be paid as maintenance or child support and  
16 shall be deposited into a Separate Maintenance and Child  
17 Support Collection Fund, of which the clerk shall be the  
18 custodian, ex-officio, to be used by the clerk to maintain  
19 child support orders and record all payments issued by the  
20 State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the  
21 Court. The clerk may recover from the person making the  
22 maintenance or child support payment any additional cost  
23 incurred in the collection of this annual fee.

24           The clerk shall also be entitled to a fee of \$5 for  
25 certifications made to the Secretary of State as provided  
26 in Section 7-703 of the Family Financial Responsibility Law

1 and these fees shall also be deposited into the Separate  
2 Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund.

3 (cc) Corrections of Numbers.

4 For correction of the case number, case title, or  
5 attorney computer identification number, if required by  
6 rule of court, on any document filed in the clerk's office,  
7 to be charged against the party that filed the document, a  
8 minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$25.

9 (dd) Exceptions.

10 (1) The fee requirements of this Section shall not  
11 apply to police departments or other law enforcement  
12 agencies. In this Section, "law enforcement agency" means  
13 an agency of the State or a unit of local government which  
14 is vested by law or ordinance with the duty to maintain  
15 public order and to enforce criminal laws or ordinances.  
16 "Law enforcement agency" also means the Attorney General or  
17 any state's attorney.

18 (2) No fee provided herein shall be charged to any unit  
19 of local government or school district.

20 (3) The fee requirements of this Section shall not  
21 apply to any action instituted under subsection (b) of  
22 Section 11-31-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a private  
23 owner or tenant of real property within 1200 feet of a  
24 dangerous or unsafe building seeking an order compelling  
25 the owner or owners of the building to take any of the  
26 actions authorized under that subsection.

1           (4) The fee requirements of this Section shall not  
2           apply to the filing of any commitment petition or petition  
3           for an order authorizing the administration of  
4           psychotropic medication or electroconvulsive therapy under  
5           the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code.

6           (ee) Adoptions.

7           (1) For an adoption ..... \$65

8           (2) Upon good cause shown, the court may waive the  
9           adoption filing fee in a special needs adoption. The term  
10          "special needs adoption" shall have the meaning ascribed to  
11          it by the Illinois Department of Children and Family  
12          Services.

13          (ff) Adoption exemptions.

14          No fee other than that set forth in subsection (ee)  
15          shall be charged to any person in connection with an  
16          adoption proceeding nor may any fee be charged for  
17          proceedings for the appointment of a confidential  
18          intermediary under the Adoption Act.

19          (Source: P.A. 99-85, eff. 1-1-16.)

20          (705 ILCS 105/27.2) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.2)

21          Sec. 27.2. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court in  
22          all counties having a population in excess of 500,000  
23          inhabitants but less than 3,000,000 inhabitants in the  
24          instances described in this Section shall be as provided in  
25          this Section. In those instances where a minimum and maximum

1 fee is stated, counties with more than 500,000 inhabitants but  
2 less than 3,000,000 inhabitants must charge the minimum fee  
3 listed in this Section and may charge up to the maximum fee if  
4 the county board has by resolution increased the fee. In  
5 addition, the minimum fees authorized in this Section shall  
6 apply to all units of local government and school districts in  
7 counties with more than 3,000,000 inhabitants. The fees shall  
8 be paid in advance and shall be as follows:

9 (a) Civil Cases.

10 With the following exceptions, the ~~The~~ fee for filing a  
11 complaint, petition, or other pleading initiating a civil  
12 action, ~~with the following exceptions,~~ shall be a minimum  
13 of \$150 and shall be a maximum of \$190 through December 31,  
14 2021 and a maximum of \$185 on and after January 1, 2022.

15 (A) When the amount of money or damages or the  
16 value of personal property claimed does not exceed  
17 \$250, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$15.

18 (B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not  
19 exceed \$1,000, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

20 (C) When that amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not  
21 exceed \$2500, a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$50.

22 (D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does not  
23 exceed \$5,000, a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$100.

24 (D-5) When the amount exceeds \$5,000 but does not  
25 exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$150.

26 (E) For the exercise of eminent domain, \$150. For

1           each additional lot or tract of land or right or  
2           interest therein subject to be condemned, the damages  
3           in respect to which shall require separate assessment  
4           by a jury, \$150.

5           (F) No fees shall be charged by the clerk to a  
6           petitioner in any order of protection including, but  
7           not limited to, filing, modifying, withdrawing,  
8           certifying, or photocopying petitions for orders of  
9           protection, or for issuing alias summons, or for any  
10          related filing service, certifying, modifying,  
11          vacating, or photocopying any orders of protection.

12       (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.

13           In each forcible entry and detainer case when the  
14           plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her  
15           claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or  
16           damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, a minimum  
17           of \$40 and a maximum of \$75. When the plaintiff unites his  
18           or her claim for possession with a claim for rent or  
19           damages or both exceeding \$15,000, a minimum of \$150 and a  
20           maximum of \$225.

21       (c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

22           When any defendant files a counterclaim as part of his  
23           or her answer or otherwise or joins another party as a  
24           third party defendant, or both, the defendant shall pay a  
25           fee for each counterclaim or third party action in an  
26           amount equal to the fee he or she would have had to pay had

1 he or she brought a separate action for the relief sought  
2 in the counterclaim or against the third party defendant,  
3 less the amount of the appearance fee, if that has been  
4 paid.

5 (d) Confession of Judgment.

6 In a confession of judgment when the amount does not  
7 exceed \$1500, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$60. When  
8 the amount exceeds \$1500, but does not exceed \$5,000, \$75.  
9 When the amount exceeds \$5,000, but does not exceed  
10 \$15,000, \$175. When the amount exceeds \$15,000, a minimum  
11 of \$200 and a maximum of \$250.

12 (e) Appearance.

13 The fee for filing an appearance in each civil case  
14 shall be a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75, except as  
15 follows:

16 (A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and  
17 detainer case seeks possession only, a minimum of \$20  
18 and a maximum of \$40.

19 (B) When the amount in the case does not exceed  
20 \$1500, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

21 (C) When the amount in the case exceeds \$1500 but  
22 does not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum  
23 of \$60.

24 (f) Garnishment, Wage Deduction, and Citation.

25 In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit,  
26 and citation petition when the amount does not exceed



1           \$1,000, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$15; when the  
2           amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not exceed \$5,000, a minimum  
3           of \$20 and a maximum of \$30; and when the amount exceeds  
4           \$5,000, a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$50.

5           (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.

6                   (1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or  
7                   order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer cases  
8                   and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an estate,  
9                   to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for  
10                  child or spousal support, or to modify, suspend, or  
11                  terminate an order for withholding, if filed before 30 days  
12                  after the entry of the judgment or order, a minimum of \$40  
13                  and a maximum of \$50.

14                   (2) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or  
15                   order of court, except a petition to modify, terminate, or  
16                   enforce a judgment or order for child or spousal support or  
17                   to modify, suspend, or terminate an order for withholding,  
18                   if filed later than 30 days after the entry of the judgment  
19                   or order, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$75.

20                   (3) Petition to vacate order of bond forfeiture, a  
21                   minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

22           (h) Mailing.

23                   When the clerk is required to mail, the fee will be a  
24                   minimum of \$6 and a maximum of \$10, plus the cost of  
25                   postage.

26           (i) Certified Copies.

1           Each certified copy of a judgment after the first,  
2           except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer  
3           cases, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$15.

4           (j) Habeas Corpus.

5           For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus, a  
6           minimum of \$80 and a maximum of \$125.

7           (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.

8           (1) Each certification or authentication for taking  
9           the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in writing  
10          with the seal of office, a minimum of \$4 and a maximum of  
11          \$6.

12          (2) Court appeals when original documents are  
13          forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a  
14          minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75.

15          (3) Court appeals when original documents are  
16          forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a  
17          minimum of \$120 and a maximum of \$150.

18          (4) Court appeals when original documents are  
19          forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of a minimum  
20          of 20 and a maximum of 25 cents per page.

21          (5) For reproduction of any document contained in the  
22          clerk's files:

23                (A) First page, \$2.

24                (B) Next 19 pages, 50 cents per page.

25                (C) All remaining pages, 25 cents per page.

26           (1) Remands.

1           In any cases remanded to the Circuit Court from the  
2           Supreme Court or the Appellate Court for a new trial, the  
3           clerk shall file the remanding order and reinstate the case  
4           with either its original number or a new number. The Clerk  
5           shall not charge any new or additional fee for the  
6           reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Clerk shall advise  
7           the parties of the reinstatement. A party shall have the  
8           same right to a jury trial on remand and reinstatement as  
9           he or she had before the appeal, and no additional or new  
10          fee or charge shall be made for a jury trial after remand.

11       (m) Record Search.

12           For each record search, within a division or municipal  
13          district, the clerk shall be entitled to a search fee of a  
14          minimum of \$4 and a maximum of \$6 for each year searched.

15       (n) Hard Copy.

16           For each page of hard copy print output, when case  
17          records are maintained on an automated medium, the clerk  
18          shall be entitled to a fee of a minimum of \$4 and a maximum  
19          of \$6.

20       (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

21           No fee shall be charged for a single  
22          plaintiff/defendant index inquiry or single case record  
23          inquiry when this request is made in person and the records  
24          are maintained in a current automated medium, and when no  
25          hard copy print output is requested. The fees to be charged  
26          for management records, multiple case records, and

1 multiple journal records may be specified by the Chief  
2 Judge pursuant to the guidelines for access and  
3 dissemination of information approved by the Supreme  
4 Court.

5 (p) (Blank).

6 (q) Alias Summons.

7 For each alias summons or citation issued by the clerk,  
8 a minimum of \$4 and a maximum of \$5.

9 (r) Other Fees.

10 Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by  
11 rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court with the  
12 approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois  
13 Courts.

14 The clerk of the circuit court may provide additional  
15 services for which there is no fee specified by statute in  
16 connection with the operation of the clerk's office as may  
17 be requested by the public and agreed to by the clerk and  
18 approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Any  
19 charges for additional services shall be as agreed to  
20 between the clerk and the party making the request and  
21 approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Nothing  
22 in this subsection shall be construed to require any clerk  
23 to provide any service not otherwise required by law.

24 (s) Jury Services.

25 The clerk shall be entitled to receive, in addition to  
26 other fees allowed by law, the sum of a minimum of \$192.50

1 and a maximum of \$212.50, as a fee for the services of a  
2 jury in every civil action not quasi-criminal in its nature  
3 and not a proceeding for the exercise of the right of  
4 eminent domain and in every other action wherein the right  
5 of trial by jury is or may be given by law. The jury fee  
6 shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at the time of  
7 filing the jury demand. If the fee is not paid by either  
8 party, no jury shall be called in the action or proceeding,  
9 and the same shall be tried by the court without a jury.

10 (t) Voluntary Assignment.

11 For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, a minimum  
12 of \$10 and a maximum of \$20; for recording the same, a  
13 minimum of 25¢ and a maximum of 50¢ for each 100 words.  
14 Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee of a  
15 debtor who has made a voluntary assignment for the benefit  
16 of creditors shall be considered and treated, for the  
17 purpose of taxing costs therein, as actions in which the  
18 party or parties filing the exceptions shall be considered  
19 as party or parties plaintiff, and the claimant or  
20 claimants as party or parties defendant, and those parties  
21 respectively shall pay to the clerk the same fees as  
22 provided by this Section to be paid in other actions.

23 (u) Expungement Petition.

24 The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of a  
25 minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$60 for each expungement  
26 petition filed and an additional fee of a minimum of \$2 and

1 a maximum of \$4 for each certified copy of an order to  
2 expunge arrest records.

3 (v) Probate.

4 The clerk is entitled to receive the fees specified in  
5 this subsection (v), which shall be paid in advance, except  
6 that, for good cause shown, the court may suspend, reduce,  
7 or release the costs payable under this subsection:

8 (1) For administration of the estate of a decedent  
9 (whether testate or intestate) or of a missing person, a  
10 minimum of \$100 and a maximum of \$150, plus the fees  
11 specified in subsection (v) (3), except:

12 (A) When the value of the real and personal  
13 property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a  
14 minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

15 (B) When (i) proof of heirship alone is made, (ii)  
16 a domestic or foreign will is admitted to probate  
17 without administration (including proof of heirship),  
18 or (iii) letters of office are issued for a particular  
19 purpose without administration of the estate, the fee  
20 shall be a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

21 (2) For administration of the estate of a ward, a  
22 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75, plus the fees  
23 specified in subsection (v) (3), except:

24 (A) When the value of the real and personal  
25 property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a  
26 minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

1           (B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a  
2 guardian of the person or persons, but not of the  
3 estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the  
4 estate of a ward without administration of the estate,  
5 including filing or joining in the filing of a tax  
6 return or releasing a mortgage or consenting to the  
7 marriage of the ward, the fee shall be a minimum of \$10  
8 and a maximum of \$20.

9           (3) In addition to the fees payable under subsection  
10 (v) (1) or (v) (2) of this Section, the following fees are  
11 payable:

12           (A) For each account (other than one final account)  
13 filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward, a minimum  
14 of \$15 and a maximum of \$25.

15           (B) For filing a claim in an estate when the amount  
16 claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500, a minimum  
17 of \$10 and a maximum of \$20; when the amount claimed is  
18 \$500 or more but less than \$10,000, a minimum of \$25  
19 and a maximum of \$40; when the amount claimed is  
20 \$10,000 or more, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$60;  
21 provided that the court in allowing a claim may add to  
22 the amount allowed the filing fee paid by the claimant.

23           (C) For filing in an estate a claim, petition, or  
24 supplemental proceeding based upon an action seeking  
25 equitable relief including the construction or contest  
26 of a will, enforcement of a contract to make a will,

1 and proceedings involving testamentary trusts or the  
2 appointment of testamentary trustees, a minimum of \$40  
3 and a maximum of \$60.

4 (D) For filing in an estate (i) the appearance of  
5 any person for the purpose of consent or (ii) the  
6 appearance of an executor, administrator,  
7 administrator to collect, guardian, guardian ad litem,  
8 or special administrator, no fee.

9 (E) Except as provided in subsection (v) (3) (D),  
10 for filing the appearance of any person or persons, a  
11 minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$30.

12 (F) For each jury demand, a minimum of \$102.50 and  
13 a maximum of \$137.50.

14 (G) For disposition of the collection of a judgment  
15 or settlement of an action or claim for wrongful death  
16 of a decedent or of any cause of action of a ward, when  
17 there is no other administration of the estate, a  
18 minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$50, less any amount  
19 paid under subsection (v) (1) (B) or (v) (2) (B) except  
20 that if the amount involved does not exceed \$5,000, the  
21 fee, including any amount paid under subsection  
22 (v) (1) (B) or (v) (2) (B), shall be a minimum of \$10 and a  
23 maximum of \$20.

24 (H) For each certified copy of letters of office,  
25 of court order or other certification, a minimum of \$1  
26 and a maximum of \$2, plus a minimum of 50¢ and a



1 maximum of \$1 per page in excess of 3 pages for the  
2 document certified.

3 (I) For each exemplification, a minimum of \$1 and a  
4 maximum of \$2, plus the fee for certification.

5 (4) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,  
6 or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay  
7 the cost of publication by the clerk directly to the  
8 newspaper.

9 (5) The person on whose behalf a charge is incurred for  
10 witness, court reporter, appraiser, or other miscellaneous  
11 fee shall pay the same directly to the person entitled  
12 thereto.

13 (6) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,  
14 or other interested person or his attorney shall pay to the  
15 clerk all postage charges incurred by the clerk in mailing  
16 petitions, orders, notices, or other documents pursuant to  
17 the provisions of the Probate Act of 1975.

18 (w) Criminal and Quasi-Criminal Costs and Fees.

19 (1) The clerk shall be entitled to costs in all  
20 criminal and quasi-criminal cases from each person  
21 convicted or sentenced to supervision therein as follows:

22 (A) Felony complaints, a minimum of \$80 and a  
23 maximum of \$125.

24 (B) Misdemeanor complaints, a minimum of \$50 and a  
25 maximum of \$75.

26 (C) Business offense complaints, a minimum of \$50

1 and a maximum of \$75.

2 (D) Petty offense complaints, a minimum of \$50 and  
3 a maximum of \$75.

4 (E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$20.

5 (F) When court appearance required, \$30.

6 (G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders, a  
7 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

8 (H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders, a  
9 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$30.

10 (I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments, whenever  
11 filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$30.

12 (J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures,  
13 whenever filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$25.

14 (K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or  
15 "failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of  
16 State, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

17 (2) In counties having a population of more than  
18 500,000 but fewer than 3,000,000 inhabitants, when the  
19 violation complaint is issued by a municipal police  
20 department, the clerk shall be entitled to costs from each  
21 person convicted therein as follows:

22 (A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$10.

23 (B) When court appearance required, \$15.

24 (3) In ordinance violation cases punishable by fine  
25 only, the clerk of the circuit court shall be entitled to  
26 receive, unless the fee is excused upon a finding by the

1 court that the defendant is indigent, in addition to other  
2 fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, the sum of a  
3 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$112.50 as a fee for the  
4 services of a jury. The jury fee shall be paid by the  
5 defendant at the time of filing his or her jury demand. If  
6 the fee is not so paid by the defendant, no jury shall be  
7 called, and the case shall be tried by the court without a  
8 jury.

9 (x) Transcripts of Judgment.

10 For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the clerk  
11 shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the  
12 commencement of new suit.

13 (y) Change of Venue.

14 (1) For the filing of a change of case on a change of  
15 venue, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it  
16 were the commencement of a new suit.

17 (2) The fee for the preparation and certification of a  
18 record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction, when  
19 original documents are forwarded, a minimum of \$25 and a  
20 maximum of \$40.

21 (z) Tax objection complaints.

22 For each tax objection complaint containing one or more  
23 tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels  
24 involved or the number of taxpayers joining in the  
25 complaint, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$50.

26 (aa) Tax Deeds.

1           (1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel is  
2 involved, a minimum of \$150 and a maximum of \$250.

3           (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of a minimum  
4 of \$50 and a maximum of \$100.

5 (bb) Collections.

6           (1) For all collections made of others, except the  
7 State and county and except in maintenance or child support  
8 cases, a sum equal to a minimum of 2.5% and a maximum of  
9 3.0% of the amount collected and turned over.

10          (2) Interest earned on any funds held by the clerk  
11 shall be turned over to the county general fund as an  
12 earning of the office.

13          (3) For any check, draft, or other bank instrument  
14 returned to the clerk for non-sufficient funds, account  
15 closed, or payment stopped, \$25.

16          (4) In child support and maintenance cases, the clerk,  
17 if authorized by an ordinance of the county board, may  
18 collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person making  
19 payment for maintaining child support records and the  
20 processing of support orders to the State of Illinois KIDS  
21 system and the recording of payments issued by the State  
22 Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court.  
23 This fee shall be in addition to and separate from amounts  
24 ordered to be paid as maintenance or child support and  
25 shall be deposited into a Separate Maintenance and Child  
26 Support Collection Fund, of which the clerk shall be the

1           custodian, ex-officio, to be used by the clerk to maintain  
2           child support orders and record all payments issued by the  
3           State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the  
4           Court. The clerk may recover from the person making the  
5           maintenance or child support payment any additional cost  
6           incurred in the collection of this annual fee.

7           The clerk shall also be entitled to a fee of \$5 for  
8           certifications made to the Secretary of State as provided  
9           in Section 7-703 of the Family Financial Responsibility Law  
10          and these fees shall also be deposited into the Separate  
11          Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund.

12       (cc) Corrections of Numbers.

13           For correction of the case number, case title, or  
14           attorney computer identification number, if required by  
15           rule of court, on any document filed in the clerk's office,  
16           to be charged against the party that filed the document, a  
17           minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$25.

18       (dd) Exceptions.

19           The fee requirements of this Section shall not apply to  
20           police departments or other law enforcement agencies. In  
21           this Section, "law enforcement agency" means an agency of  
22           the State or a unit of local government which is vested by  
23           law or ordinance with the duty to maintain public order and  
24           to enforce criminal laws or ordinances. "Law enforcement  
25           agency" also means the Attorney General or any state's  
26           attorney. The fee requirements of this Section shall not

1 apply to any action instituted under subsection (b) of  
 2 Section 11-31-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a private  
 3 owner or tenant of real property within 1200 feet of a  
 4 dangerous or unsafe building seeking an order compelling  
 5 the owner or owners of the building to take any of the  
 6 actions authorized under that subsection.

7 The fee requirements of this Section shall not apply to  
 8 the filing of any commitment petition or petition for an  
 9 order authorizing the administration of psychotropic  
 10 medication or electroconvulsive therapy under the Mental  
 11 Health and Developmental Disabilities Code.

12 (ee) Adoptions.

13 (1) For an adoption ..... \$65

14 (2) Upon good cause shown, the court may waive the  
 15 adoption filing fee in a special needs adoption. The term  
 16 "special needs adoption" shall have the meaning ascribed to  
 17 it by the Illinois Department of Children and Family  
 18 Services.

19 (ff) Adoption exemptions.

20 No fee other than that set forth in subsection (ee)  
 21 shall be charged to any person in connection with an  
 22 adoption proceeding nor may any fee be charged for  
 23 proceedings for the appointment of a confidential  
 24 intermediary under the Adoption Act.

25 (gg) Unpaid fees.

26 Unless a court ordered payment schedule is implemented

1 or the fee requirements of this Section are waived pursuant  
2 to court order, the clerk of the court may add to any  
3 unpaid fees and costs under this Section a delinquency  
4 amount equal to 5% of the unpaid fees that remain unpaid  
5 after 30 days, 10% of the unpaid fees that remain unpaid  
6 after 60 days, and 15% of the unpaid fees that remain  
7 unpaid after 90 days. Notice to those parties may be made  
8 by signage posting or publication. The additional  
9 delinquency amounts collected under this Section shall be  
10 used to defray additional administrative costs incurred by  
11 the clerk of the circuit court in collecting unpaid fees  
12 and costs.

13 (Source: P.A. 95-172, eff. 8-14-07.)

14 (705 ILCS 105/27.2a) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.2a)

15 Sec. 27.2a. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court in  
16 all counties having a population of 3,000,000 or more  
17 inhabitants in the instances described in this Section shall be  
18 as provided in this Section. In those instances where a minimum  
19 and maximum fee is stated, the clerk of the circuit court must  
20 charge the minimum fee listed and may charge up to the maximum  
21 fee if the county board has by resolution increased the fee.  
22 The fees shall be paid in advance and shall be as follows:

23 (a) Civil Cases.

24 With the following exceptions, the ~~The~~ fee for filing a  
25 complaint, petition, or other pleading initiating a civil

1        action, ~~with the following exceptions,~~ shall be a minimum  
2        of \$190 and shall be a maximum of \$240 through December 31,  
3        2021 and a maximum of \$235 on and after January 1, 2022.

4                (A) When the amount of money or damages or the  
5        value of personal property claimed does not exceed  
6        \$250, a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$22.

7                (B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not  
8        exceed \$1000, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$75.

9                (C) When that amount exceeds \$1000 but does not  
10        exceed \$2500, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$80.

11                (D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does not  
12        exceed \$5000, a minimum of \$100 and a maximum of \$130.

13                (E) When that amount exceeds \$5000 but does not  
14        exceed \$15,000, \$150.

15                (F) For the exercise of eminent domain, \$150. For  
16        each additional lot or tract of land or right or  
17        interest therein subject to be condemned, the damages  
18        in respect to which shall require separate assessment  
19        by a jury, \$150.

20                (G) For the final determination of parking,  
21        standing, and compliance violations and final  
22        administrative decisions issued after hearings  
23        regarding vehicle immobilization and impoundment made  
24        pursuant to Sections 3-704.1, 6-306.5, and 11-208.3 of  
25        the Illinois Vehicle Code, \$25.

26                (H) No fees shall be charged by the clerk to a



1           petitioner in any order of protection including, but  
2           not limited to, filing, modifying, withdrawing,  
3           certifying, or photocopying petitions for orders of  
4           protection, or for issuing alias summons, or for any  
5           related filing service, certifying, modifying,  
6           vacating, or photocopying any orders of protection.

7           (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.

8           In each forcible entry and detainer case when the  
9           plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her  
10          claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or  
11          damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, a minimum  
12          of \$75 and a maximum of \$140. When the plaintiff unites his  
13          or her claim for possession with a claim for rent or  
14          damages or both exceeding \$15,000, a minimum of \$225 and a  
15          maximum of \$335.

16          (c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

17          When any defendant files a counterclaim as part of his  
18          or her answer or otherwise or joins another party as a  
19          third party defendant, or both, the defendant shall pay a  
20          fee for each counterclaim or third party action in an  
21          amount equal to the fee he or she would have had to pay had  
22          he or she brought a separate action for the relief sought  
23          in the counterclaim or against the third party defendant,  
24          less the amount of the appearance fee, if that has been  
25          paid.

26          (d) Confession of Judgment.

1           In a confession of judgment when the amount does not  
2           exceed \$1500, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$70. When  
3           the amount exceeds \$1500, but does not exceed \$5000, a  
4           minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$150. When the amount  
5           exceeds \$5000, but does not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of  
6           \$175 and a maximum of \$260. When the amount exceeds  
7           \$15,000, a minimum of \$250 and a maximum of \$310.

8           (e) Appearance.

9           The fee for filing an appearance in each civil case  
10          shall be a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$110, except as  
11          follows:

12                   (A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and  
13                   detainer case seeks possession only, a minimum of \$40  
14                   and a maximum of \$80.

15                   (B) When the amount in the case does not exceed  
16                   \$1500, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$80.

17                   (C) When that amount exceeds \$1500 but does not  
18                   exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$90.

19          (f) Garnishment, Wage Deduction, and Citation.

20          In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit,  
21          and citation petition when the amount does not exceed  
22          \$1,000, a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$25; when the  
23          amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not exceed \$5,000, a minimum  
24          of \$30 and a maximum of \$45; and when the amount exceeds  
25          \$5,000, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$80.

26          (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.

1           (1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or  
2 order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer cases  
3 and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an estate,  
4 to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for  
5 child or spousal support, or to modify, suspend, or  
6 terminate an order for withholding, if filed before 30 days  
7 after the entry of the judgment or order, a minimum of \$50  
8 and a maximum of \$60.

9           (2) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or  
10 order of court, except a petition to modify, terminate, or  
11 enforce a judgment or order for child or spousal support or  
12 to modify, suspend, or terminate an order for withholding,  
13 if filed later than 30 days after the entry of the judgment  
14 or order, a minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$90.

15           (3) Petition to vacate order of bond forfeiture, a  
16 minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$80.

17 (h) Mailing.

18           When the clerk is required to mail, the fee will be a  
19 minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$15, plus the cost of  
20 postage.

21 (i) Certified Copies.

22           Each certified copy of a judgment after the first,  
23 except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer  
24 cases, a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$20.

25 (j) Habeas Corpus.

26           For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus, a

1 minimum of \$125 and a maximum of \$190.

2 (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.

3 (1) Each certification or authentication for taking  
4 the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in writing  
5 with the seal of office, a minimum of \$6 and a maximum of  
6 \$9.

7 (2) Court appeals when original documents are  
8 forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a  
9 minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$110.

10 (3) Court appeals when original documents are  
11 forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a  
12 minimum of \$150 and a maximum of \$185.

13 (4) Court appeals when original documents are  
14 forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of a minimum  
15 of 25 and a maximum of 30 cents per page.

16 (5) For reproduction of any document contained in the  
17 clerk's files:

18 (A) First page, \$2.

19 (B) Next 19 pages, 50 cents per page.

20 (C) All remaining pages, 25 cents per page.

21 (l) Remands.

22 In any cases remanded to the Circuit Court from the  
23 Supreme Court or the Appellate Court for a new trial, the  
24 clerk shall file the remanding order and reinstate the case  
25 with either its original number or a new number. The Clerk  
26 shall not charge any new or additional fee for the

1 reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Clerk shall advise  
2 the parties of the reinstatement. A party shall have the  
3 same right to a jury trial on remand and reinstatement as  
4 he or she had before the appeal, and no additional or new  
5 fee or charge shall be made for a jury trial after remand.

6 (m) Record Search.

7 For each record search, within a division or municipal  
8 district, the clerk shall be entitled to a search fee of a  
9 minimum of \$6 and a maximum of \$9 for each year searched.

10 (n) Hard Copy.

11 For each page of hard copy print output, when case  
12 records are maintained on an automated medium, the clerk  
13 shall be entitled to a fee of a minimum of \$6 and a maximum  
14 of \$9.

15 (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

16 No fee shall be charged for a single  
17 plaintiff/defendant index inquiry or single case record  
18 inquiry when this request is made in person and the records  
19 are maintained in a current automated medium, and when no  
20 hard copy print output is requested. The fees to be charged  
21 for management records, multiple case records, and  
22 multiple journal records may be specified by the Chief  
23 Judge pursuant to the guidelines for access and  
24 dissemination of information approved by the Supreme  
25 Court.

26 (p) (Blank).

1 (q) Alias Summons.

2 For each alias summons or citation issued by the clerk,  
3 a minimum of \$5 and a maximum of \$6.

4 (r) Other Fees.

5 Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by  
6 rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court with the  
7 approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois  
8 Courts.

9 The clerk of the circuit court may provide additional  
10 services for which there is no fee specified by statute in  
11 connection with the operation of the clerk's office as may  
12 be requested by the public and agreed to by the clerk and  
13 approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Any  
14 charges for additional services shall be as agreed to  
15 between the clerk and the party making the request and  
16 approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Nothing  
17 in this subsection shall be construed to require any clerk  
18 to provide any service not otherwise required by law.

19 (s) Jury Services.

20 The clerk shall be entitled to receive, in addition to  
21 other fees allowed by law, the sum of a minimum of \$212.50  
22 and maximum of \$230, as a fee for the services of a jury in  
23 every civil action not quasi-criminal in its nature and not  
24 a proceeding for the exercise of the right of eminent  
25 domain and in every other action wherein the right of trial  
26 by jury is or may be given by law. The jury fee shall be

1           paid by the party demanding a jury at the time of filing  
2           the jury demand. If the fee is not paid by either party, no  
3           jury shall be called in the action or proceeding, and the  
4           same shall be tried by the court without a jury.

5           (t) Voluntary Assignment.

6                     For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, a minimum  
7                     of \$20 and a maximum of \$40; for recording the same, a  
8                     minimum of 50¢ and a maximum of \$0.80 for each 100 words.  
9                     Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee of a  
10                    debtor who has made a voluntary assignment for the benefit  
11                    of creditors shall be considered and treated, for the  
12                    purpose of taxing costs therein, as actions in which the  
13                    party or parties filing the exceptions shall be considered  
14                    as party or parties plaintiff, and the claimant or  
15                    claimants as party or parties defendant, and those parties  
16                    respectively shall pay to the clerk the same fees as  
17                    provided by this Section to be paid in other actions.

18           (u) Expungement Petition.

19                    The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of a  
20                    minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$120 for each expungement  
21                    petition filed and an additional fee of a minimum of \$4 and  
22                    a maximum of \$8 for each certified copy of an order to  
23                    expunge arrest records.

24           (v) Probate.

25                    The clerk is entitled to receive the fees specified in  
26                    this subsection (v), which shall be paid in advance, except

1           that, for good cause shown, the court may suspend, reduce,  
2           or release the costs payable under this subsection:

3           (1) For administration of the estate of a decedent  
4           (whether testate or intestate) or of a missing person, a  
5           minimum of \$150 and a maximum of \$225, plus the fees  
6           specified in subsection (v) (3), except:

7           (A) When the value of the real and personal  
8           property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a  
9           minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$65.

10           (B) When (i) proof of heirship alone is made, (ii)  
11           a domestic or foreign will is admitted to probate  
12           without administration (including proof of heirship),  
13           or (iii) letters of office are issued for a particular  
14           purpose without administration of the estate, the fee  
15           shall be a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$65.

16           (2) For administration of the estate of a ward, a  
17           minimum of \$75 and a maximum of \$110, plus the fees  
18           specified in subsection (v) (3), except:

19           (A) When the value of the real and personal  
20           property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a  
21           minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$65.

22           (B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a  
23           guardian of the person or persons, but not of the  
24           estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the  
25           estate of a ward without administration of the estate,  
26           including filing or joining in the filing of a tax



1 return or releasing a mortgage or consenting to the  
2 marriage of the ward, the fee shall be a minimum of \$20  
3 and a maximum of \$40.

4 (3) In addition to the fees payable under subsection  
5 (v) (1) or (v) (2) of this Section, the following fees are  
6 payable:

7 (A) For each account (other than one final account)  
8 filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward, a minimum  
9 of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

10 (B) For filing a claim in an estate when the amount  
11 claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500, a minimum  
12 of \$20 and a maximum of \$40; when the amount claimed is  
13 \$500 or more but less than \$10,000, a minimum of \$40  
14 and a maximum of \$65; when the amount claimed is  
15 \$10,000 or more, a minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$90;  
16 provided that the court in allowing a claim may add to  
17 the amount allowed the filing fee paid by the claimant.

18 (C) For filing in an estate a claim, petition, or  
19 supplemental proceeding based upon an action seeking  
20 equitable relief including the construction or contest  
21 of a will, enforcement of a contract to make a will,  
22 and proceedings involving testamentary trusts or the  
23 appointment of testamentary trustees, a minimum of \$60  
24 and a maximum of \$90.

25 (D) For filing in an estate (i) the appearance of  
26 any person for the purpose of consent or (ii) the

1 appearance of an executor, administrator,  
2 administrator to collect, guardian, guardian ad litem,  
3 or special administrator, no fee.

4 (E) Except as provided in subsection (v) (3) (D),  
5 for filing the appearance of any person or persons, a  
6 minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$90.

7 (F) For each jury demand, a minimum of \$137.50 and  
8 a maximum of \$180.

9 (G) For disposition of the collection of a judgment  
10 or settlement of an action or claim for wrongful death  
11 of a decedent or of any cause of action of a ward, when  
12 there is no other administration of the estate, a  
13 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$80, less any amount  
14 paid under subsection (v) (1) (B) or (v) (2) (B) except  
15 that if the amount involved does not exceed \$5,000, the  
16 fee, including any amount paid under subsection  
17 (v) (1) (B) or (v) (2) (B), shall be a minimum of \$20 and a  
18 maximum of \$40.

19 (H) For each certified copy of letters of office,  
20 of court order or other certification, a minimum of \$2  
21 and a maximum of \$4, plus \$1 per page in excess of 3  
22 pages for the document certified.

23 (I) For each exemplification, \$2, plus the fee for  
24 certification.

25 (4) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,  
26 or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay

1 the cost of publication by the clerk directly to the  
2 newspaper.

3 (5) The person on whose behalf a charge is incurred for  
4 witness, court reporter, appraiser, or other miscellaneous  
5 fee shall pay the same directly to the person entitled  
6 thereto.

7 (6) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,  
8 or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay  
9 to the clerk all postage charges incurred by the clerk in  
10 mailing petitions, orders, notices, or other documents  
11 pursuant to the provisions of the Probate Act of 1975.

12 (w) Criminal and Quasi-Criminal Costs and Fees.

13 (1) The clerk shall be entitled to costs in all  
14 criminal and quasi-criminal cases from each person  
15 convicted or sentenced to supervision therein as follows:

16 (A) Felony complaints, a minimum of \$125 and a  
17 maximum of \$190.

18 (B) Misdemeanor complaints, a minimum of \$75 and a  
19 maximum of \$110.

20 (C) Business offense complaints, a minimum of \$75  
21 and a maximum of \$110.

22 (D) Petty offense complaints, a minimum of \$75 and  
23 a maximum of \$110.

24 (E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$30.

25 (F) When court appearance required, \$50.

26 (G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders, a

1 minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$80.

2 (H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders, a  
3 minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$45.

4 (I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments, whenever  
5 filed, a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$45.

6 (J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures,  
7 whenever filed, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$30.

8 (K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or  
9 "failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of  
10 State, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$50.

11 (2) In counties having a population of 3,000,000 or  
12 more, when the violation complaint is issued by a municipal  
13 police department, the clerk shall be entitled to costs  
14 from each person convicted therein as follows:

15 (A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$30.

16 (B) When court appearance required, \$50.

17 (3) In ordinance violation cases punishable by fine  
18 only, the clerk of the circuit court shall be entitled to  
19 receive, unless the fee is excused upon a finding by the  
20 court that the defendant is indigent, in addition to other  
21 fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, the sum of a  
22 minimum of \$112.50 and a maximum of \$250 as a fee for the  
23 services of a jury. The jury fee shall be paid by the  
24 defendant at the time of filing his or her jury demand. If  
25 the fee is not so paid by the defendant, no jury shall be  
26 called, and the case shall be tried by the court without a

1 jury.

2 (x) Transcripts of Judgment.

3 For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the clerk  
4 shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the  
5 commencement of a new suit.

6 (y) Change of Venue.

7 (1) For the filing of a change of case on a change of  
8 venue, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it  
9 were the commencement of a new suit.

10 (2) The fee for the preparation and certification of a  
11 record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction, when  
12 original documents are forwarded, a minimum of \$40 and a  
13 maximum of \$65.

14 (z) Tax objection complaints.

15 For each tax objection complaint containing one or more  
16 tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels  
17 involved or the number of taxpayers joining in the  
18 complaint, a minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$100.

19 (aa) Tax Deeds.

20 (1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel is  
21 involved, a minimum of \$250 and a maximum of \$400.

22 (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of a minimum  
23 of \$100 and a maximum of \$200.

24 (bb) Collections.

25 (1) For all collections made of others, except the  
26 State and county and except in maintenance or child support

1 cases, a sum equal to 3.0% of the amount collected and  
2 turned over.

3 (2) Interest earned on any funds held by the clerk  
4 shall be turned over to the county general fund as an  
5 earning of the office.

6 (3) For any check, draft, or other bank instrument  
7 returned to the clerk for non-sufficient funds, account  
8 closed, or payment stopped, \$25.

9 (4) In child support and maintenance cases, the clerk,  
10 if authorized by an ordinance of the county board, may  
11 collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person making  
12 payment for maintaining child support records and the  
13 processing of support orders to the State of Illinois KIDS  
14 system and the recording of payments issued by the State  
15 Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court.  
16 This fee shall be in addition to and separate from amounts  
17 ordered to be paid as maintenance or child support and  
18 shall be deposited into a Separate Maintenance and Child  
19 Support Collection Fund, of which the clerk shall be the  
20 custodian, ex-officio, to be used by the clerk to maintain  
21 child support orders and record all payments issued by the  
22 State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the  
23 Court. The clerk may recover from the person making the  
24 maintenance or child support payment any additional cost  
25 incurred in the collection of this annual fee.

26 The clerk shall also be entitled to a fee of \$5 for

1           certifications made to the Secretary of State as provided  
2           in Section 7-703 of the Family Financial Responsibility Law  
3           and these fees shall also be deposited into the Separate  
4           Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund.

5           (cc) Corrections of Numbers.

6                     For correction of the case number, case title, or  
7                     attorney computer identification number, if required by  
8                     rule of court, on any document filed in the clerk's office,  
9                     to be charged against the party that filed the document, a  
10                    minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

11           (dd) Exceptions.

12                    (1) The fee requirements of this Section shall not  
13                    apply to police departments or other law enforcement  
14                    agencies. In this Section, "law enforcement agency" means  
15                    an agency of the State or a unit of local government which  
16                    is vested by law or ordinance with the duty to maintain  
17                    public order and to enforce criminal laws or ordinances.  
18                    "Law enforcement agency" also means the Attorney General or  
19                    any state's attorney.

20                    (2) No fee provided herein shall be charged to any unit  
21                    of local government or school district. The fee  
22                    requirements of this Section shall not apply to any action  
23                    instituted under subsection (b) of Section 11-31-1 of the  
24                    Illinois Municipal Code by a private owner or tenant of  
25                    real property within 1200 feet of a dangerous or unsafe  
26                    building seeking an order compelling the owner or owners of

1 the building to take any of the actions authorized under  
2 that subsection.

3 (3) The fee requirements of this Section shall not  
4 apply to the filing of any commitment petition or petition  
5 for an order authorizing the administration of  
6 psychotropic medication or electroconvulsive therapy under  
7 the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code.

8 (ee) Adoption.

9 (1) For an adoption ..... \$65

10 (2) Upon good cause shown, the court may waive the  
11 adoption filing fee in a special needs adoption. The term  
12 "special needs adoption" shall have the meaning ascribed to  
13 it by the Illinois Department of Children and Family  
14 Services.

15 (ff) Adoption exemptions.

16 No fee other than that set forth in subsection (ee)  
17 shall be charged to any person in connection with an  
18 adoption proceeding nor may any fee be charged for  
19 proceedings for the appointment of a confidential  
20 intermediary under the Adoption Act.

21 (gg) Unpaid fees.

22 Unless a court ordered payment schedule is implemented  
23 or the fee requirements of this Section are waived pursuant  
24 to court order, the clerk of the court may add to any  
25 unpaid fees and costs under this Section a delinquency  
26 amount equal to 5% of the unpaid fees that remain unpaid



1 after 30 days, 10% of the unpaid fees that remain unpaid  
2 after 60 days, and 15% of the unpaid fees that remain  
3 unpaid after 90 days. Notice to those parties may be made  
4 by signage posting or publication. The additional  
5 delinquency amounts collected under this Section shall be  
6 used to defray additional administrative costs incurred by  
7 the clerk of the circuit court in collecting unpaid fees  
8 and costs.

9 (Source: P.A. 95-172, eff. 8-14-07.)"; and

10 on page 4, line 16, after "the", by inserting "30th day after  
11 the"; and

12 on page 7, by inserting immediately below line 12 the  
13 following:

14 "(705 ILCS 105/27.7)

15 Sec. 27.7. Children's waiting room. The expense of  
16 establishing and maintaining a children's waiting room for  
17 children whose parents or guardians are attending a court  
18 hearing as a litigant, witness, or for other court purposes as  
19 determined by the court may be borne by the county. To defray  
20 that expense in any county having established a children's  
21 waiting room or that elects to establish such a system, the  
22 county board may require the clerk of the circuit court in the  
23 county to charge and collect a children's waiting room fee of

1 not more than \$10 through December 31, 2021 and not more than  
2 \$8 on and after January 1, 2022. The fee shall be paid at the  
3 time of filing the first pleading, paper, or other appearance  
4 filed by each party in all civil cases. No additional fee shall  
5 be required if more than one party is presented in a single  
6 pleading, paper, or other appearance. The fee shall be  
7 collected in the manner in which all other fees or costs are  
8 collected.

9 Each clerk shall commence the charges and collection upon  
10 receipt of written notice from the chairman of the county board  
11 together with a certified copy of the board's resolution. The  
12 clerk shall file the resolution of record in his or her office.

13 The fees shall be in addition to all other fees and charges  
14 of the clerks, shall be assessable as costs, and may be waived  
15 only if the judge specifically provides for the waiver of the  
16 children's waiting room fee. The fees shall be remitted monthly  
17 by the clerk to the county treasurer, to be retained by the  
18 treasurer in a special fund designated as the children's  
19 waiting room fund. The fund shall be audited by the county  
20 auditor, and the county board shall make expenditure from the  
21 fund in payment of any cost related to the establishment and  
22 maintenance of the children's waiting room, including  
23 personnel, heat, light, telephone, security, rental of space,  
24 or any other item in connection with the operation of a  
25 children's waiting room.

26 The fees shall not be charged in any matter coming to the

1 clerk on a change of venue, nor in any proceeding to review the  
2 decision of any administrative officer, agency, or body.  
3 (Source: P.A. 95-980, eff. 9-22-08.)".